

**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
FOREST SERVICE
BOISE NATIONAL FOREST
LOWMAN RANGER DISTRICT**

ROAD CLOSURE

NFS #579

For Public Safety during a Construction Project

PROHIBITIONS

Pursuant to 36 CFR 261.50 (a) and (b), the following acts are prohibited on the National Forest System road and area described in this order, within the administrative boundaries of the Lowman Ranger District, Boise National Forest. This Order will be in effect from August 15th, 2009 through September 6th, 2009, or until project is completed and signing has been removed by Forest officers.

1. Using any type of motorized vehicle on National Forest System Road #579 (as described below). **36 CFR 261.54(a)**

EXEMPTIONS

Pursuant to 36 CFR 261.50(e), the following persons are exempt from this order:

1. Persons with a special use authorization or other Forest Service authorization specifically exempting them from the effect of this Order.
2. Any Federal, State, or local law enforcement officer, or member of an organized rescue or fire fighting force in the performance of an official duty.
3. Federal or State administrative personnel in the performance of an official duty.
4. Construction contractor (Granite Excavation, INC) and their employees and agents while doing work related to the culvert removal/replacement project.

ROAD CLOSURE DESCRIPTION

National Forest System Road (NFSR) #579 closure is described as beginning at Cape Horn Summit (Lola Creek trailhead will remain open) located in Township 12N, Range 10E, Section 21 and traveling Northerly approximately 4.8 miles to the junction of NFSR 579 and NFSR 579A (Fir Creek Campground will remain open) located in Township 13N, Range 10E, Section 32, Boise Meridian, Valley County, Idaho. The described road is within the Lowman Ranger District, Boise National Forest.

PURPOSE

The segment of road, as described above, must be closed to all motorized access to provide for public safety and protection during the removal of the culvert at the NFSR #579 crossing of Fir

Creek. This culvert is being replaced with a bridge, which will restore fish passage at the site. Due to the removal and reconstruction of the crossing, use of NFSR #579 will not be possible. Construction contract period is from August 15th, 2009 through September 6th, 2009, or until the project is completed.

IMPLEMENTATION

1. This Order will be in effect from August 15th, 2009 through September 6th, 2009, or until the construction project is completed and signing is removed by Forest officers.
2. A map identifying the above-described area is attached to and made part of this Order.
3. Any violation of this order is punishable by a fine of not more than \$5000 for an individual or \$10,000 for an organization, and/or imprisonment for not more than six months [Title 16 USC 551, Title 18 USC 3571(b)(6), Title 18 USC 3581 (b)(7)].
4. This Order supersedes any previous orders/notices for the above-described roads or portions thereof.
5. Further information regarding this Order may be obtained at the Lowman Ranger District Office, Lowman, ID, telephone number 208-259-3361, and at the Boise National Forest Supervisor's Office, Boise, ID, telephone number 208-373-4100.

Done at Boise, Idaho this 17th day of June, 2009.


Cecilia R Seesholtz
Forest Supervisor
Boise National Forest

Order Number: 0402-05-26

Assessment of Need and Enforcement Plan
Lowman Ranger District – Boise National Forest
Order # 0402-05-26

1. Background. A contract has been awarded to Granite Excavation, INC for installation of a bridge at Fir Creek. This site is located on National Forest System Road (NFSR) # 579 which is on the northern portion of the Lowman Ranger District. Construction will start on August 15th, 2008 and go to Sept. 6th, 2009 or until project is completed. Closure of NFSR #579 will begin on August 15th, 2009.

2. Intent of Subpart B order. This temporary road closure is for all motorized access to promote public safety during construction and installation of the bridge at the crossing of Fir Creek and NFSR #579.

3. Enforcement Plan. On ground signing and temporary gates, maintenance of signs at the junction of NFS road #579 and FH025, the Wyoming Creek trailhead, Lola Creek trailhead, and at the junction of NFSR #579 and #579A. On site FS administrative personnel will make compliance contacts as needed.

<u>Action</u>	<u>Responsible Official</u>	<u>Date</u>
Prepare proposed order	Appropriate Staff with LE&I input	05/15/09
Review proposed order	Supervisory LEO	06/15/09
Review proposed order	RO LE&I and OGC	06/16/09
Approve proposed order	Forest Supervisor	06/17/09
Post order in accordance with 36 CFR 261.51	District Staff Officer and Staff	06/30/09
Prepare news release for local media describing the order and management objectives	Fisheries Biologist, Devon Green	07/06/09
Educational contacts will be made to obtain voluntary compliance as needed	Appropriate Staff LEO/field going personnel through out the temporary closure period.	On going after August 15 th

Plan approved for implementation:


Cecilia R Seesholtz
Forest Supervisor
Boise National Forest


DATE

**United States Department of Agriculture
Boise National Forest
Lowman Ranger District**

**Special Order
(Order # 0402-05-26)
Fir Creek Culvert Replacement
NFSR #579 Road Closure
August 15th, 2009 - Sept. 6th, 2009
(or until project is completed)**



***Please Note**

– The Fir Creek Campground (on NFSR #579A) and the Lola Creek trailhead will remain open during this closure.

